Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/659,588	HAUBENNESTEL ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	TAL.
	Rachel F. Gorr	1711	
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.  1. □ This communication is responsive to  2. □ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-22.  3. □ The drawings filed on are accepted by the Examiner.  4. □ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a) □ All b) □ Some* c) □ None of the:  1. □ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  2. □ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No  3. □ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  *Certified copies not received:  Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  THIS THREE MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.  5. □ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.  6. □ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.  (a) □ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached  1) □ hereto or 2) □ to Paper No./Mail Date			
Attachment(s)  1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  3. ☑ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/Paper No./Mail Date 3-26-04  4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material	6. ☐ Interview Sur Paper No./\(\lambda\) (08), 7. ☑ Examiner's A	Mail Date  Amendment/Comment  Statement of Reasons for Allo	·

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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

In claim 10, the word "having" has been deleted and the words "prepolymer comprises" has been inserted in its place, in order to correct a 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph problem.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The claims are allowable over GB 1, 408,164 reference because the GB reference discloses making the urea-urethane by reacting 80-96 equivalents of diamine per 100 equivalents of isocyanate groups on the prepolymer versus 0.1-45 equivalents of the claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Rachel F. Gorr whose telephone number is 571-272-1072. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., from 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jim Seidleck can be reached on 571-272-1078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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